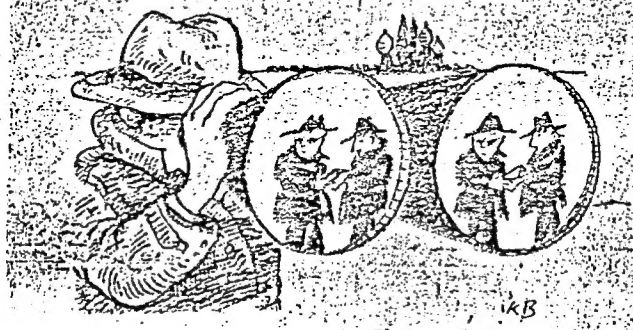


ARTICLE APPEARED
ON PAGE 2

WILMINGTON NEWS JOURNAL
FAMILY WEEKLY
27 April 1980

PRO AND CON

*Should Congress Have Prior Notice
Of All Clandestine Activities
Of the C.I.A. Overseas?*



PRO Senator Richard G. Lugar (R.-Indiana)



No covert activity conducted by the C.I.A. may proceed without Presidential order. The President should inform specific leaders of the Congress of his covert activity orders prior to the beginnings of such activity. I recommend that the majority and minority leaders of both Houses and the majority and minority leaders of the Senate and House Intelligence Committees should be informed by the President, as opposed to the full membership of as many as eight committees, the current requirement. C.I.A. covert activity is the responsibility of the President, but prior notice to key Congressional leaders is an appropriate Constitutional check and balance.

CON Admiral Stansfield Turner, Director, C.I.A.

Certain facets of intelligence collection are by their very nature risk-taking ventures. By risks, I mean that either the lives and reputations of individuals are at stake and/or that the prestige and position of the U.S., with respect to other nations, could be endangered. We must also recognize that rigid statutory requirements for full and prior Congressional access to intelligence information will have an inhibiting effect upon the willingness of individuals and organizations to cooperate with our country. (From Admiral Turner's testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, as suggested to be used by the C.I.A.'s Director of Public Affairs, Herb Hetu).

